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SUBJ: ANCHOVY SITUATION

1. PESCA PERU, FISHERMEN AND ASSOCIATED INDUSTRIES ON MAY 7 HELD ENTHUSIASTIC CELEBRATION HONORING FIRST YEAR STATE OPERATION OF FISHMEAL INDUSTRY.

2. MINISTER FISHERIES ANNOUNCED 1,835,000 M.T. ANCHOVIES HAD BEEN TAKEN THIS YEAR ACCOUNTING FOR 420,000 TONS FISHMEAL, ALREADY MORE THAN TOTAL 1973 CATCH. IN ADDITION 135,000 TONS OTHER SPECIES TAKEN EARLY 1974, YIELDING ANOTHER 30,000 TONS MEAL. HIGHLY EFFICIENT MEAL RECUPERATION OVER 22 PERCENT AND 6 PERCENT OIL YIELD THREE TIMES LEVEL LAST YEAR.

3. MINISTER STATED THAT 56 PERCENT OF 11,685 MILLION SOLE DEBT ASSUMED BY PESCAPERU HAD BEEN PAID OFF AND COULD BE LIQUIDATED WITH FURTHER CATCH 1.5 MILLION TONS.

4. SPOKESMEN FOR SEA INSITUTE ASSERTED CAUTION FOR FUTURE RECOMMENDING COMPLETE STOPPAGE UNTIL OCTOBER WHEN 2 MILLION TON ANCHOVY CATCH REACHED PROBABLY NEXT WEEK. THEY BELIEVE MINISTER WILL AGREE.

5. DIRECTOR IMARPE ESTIMATES CURRENT ANCHOVY STOCK AT 5.5 TO 6.5 UNCLASSIFIED

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MILLION TONS, ABOUT SAME LEVEL DETERMINED FROM EUREKA EXERCISE

LAST NOVEMBER THIS CONSIDERABLE IMPROVEMENT HOWEVER WITH LARGER
CONSIDERABLE TONNAGE ALREADY TAKEN.

6. AGATTACHE EXPECTS FOWARD SOON COPIES IMARPE STUDIES RUSULTING
FROM RECENT EXPLOITATION ANALYSIS.

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